HB0353 Enrolled

AN ACT concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing Sections 12-821 and 20-204 and by adding Section 3-684 as follows:

(625 ILCS 5/3-684 new)

Sec. 3-684. Distinguished Flying Cross license plates.

(a) In addition to any other special license plate, the Secretary, upon receipt of all applicable fees and applications made in the form prescribed by the Secretary of State, may issue Distinguished Flying Cross license plates to residents of Illinois who have been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross medal by the United States Armed Forces. The special Distinguished Flying Cross plates issued under this Section shall be affixed only to passenger vehicles of the first division, motorcycles, and motor vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000 pounds. Plates issued under this Section shall expire according to the staggered multi-year procedure established by Section 3-414.1 of this Code.

(b) The design, color, and format of the plates shall be wholly within the discretion of the Secretary of State. The

Secretary may, in his or her discretion, allow the plates to be issued as vanity plates or personalized in accordance with Section 3-405.1 of this Code. The plates are not required to designate "Land Of Lincoln", as prescribed in subsection (b) of Section 3-412 of this Code. The Secretary shall, in his or her discretion, approve and prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412.

(c) An applicant shall be charged a \$15 fee for original issuance in addition to the applicable registration fee. This additional fee shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special License Plate Fund.

(625 ILCS 5/12-821)

Sec. 12-821. Display of telephone number; complaint calls.

(a) Each school bus shall display at the rear of the bus a sign, with letters and numerals readily visible and readable, indicating the <u>area code and</u> telephone number of the owner of the school bus, regardless of whether the owner is a school district or another person or entity. The sign shall <u>be in the</u> following form:

"TO COMMENT ON MY DRIVING, CALL (area code and telephone number of school bus owner)" indicate that the number is to be called to report erratic driving by the school bus driver.

A school bus owner who placed a sign conforming to the requirements of Public Act 95-176 on a school bus before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General

Assembly may continue to use that sign on that school bus rather than a sign that conforms to the requirements of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly; however, if the school bus owner replaces that sign, the replacement sign shall conform to the requirements of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.

- (b) The owner of each school bus shall establish procedures for accepting the calls provided for under subsection (a) and for taking complaints.
- (c) The procedures established under subsection (b) shall include, but not be limited to:
 - (1) an internal investigation of the events that led to each complaint; and
 - (2) a report to the complaining party on the results of the investigation and the action taken, if any.

(Source: P.A. 95-176, eff. 1-1-08.)

(625 ILCS 5/20-204) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 20-204)

Sec. 20-204. A county or the The corporate authorities of a municipality may adopt all or any portion of this Illinois Vehicle Code by reference.

(Source: P.A. 78-738.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2010.